

Application No. 10/698,842
Amendment dated March 2, 2006
Reply to Office Action of December 2, 2005

Remarks / Arguments

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Office Action of December 2, 2006. This Amendment is fully responsive thereto. Applicants have amended claim 1 and cancelled claims 2-3.

Applicants affirm their traversal of the Examiner's restriction and election of species requirements.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-3 as indefinite because the terms intermediate pressure and high pressure were without reference to low pressure. Applicants have amended claim 1 to recite a first combustor adapted and configured to operate at a first pressure and a second combustors adapted and configured to operate at a second pressure lower than the first pressure. Applicants have also amended claim 1 along similar lines for the originally recited high pressure and intermediate pressure turbines. The Examiner also rejected claims 1-3 as indefinite because of the lack of detail as to the water and CO2 temperature control subassemblies. Applicants have deleted reference to these subassemblies. The Examiner also rejected claims 1-3 as indefinite because they recited no features allowing the described system to generate power. Applicants have amended claim 1 to recite that the first and second turbines are adapted and configured to receive combustion products and drive gas and expand them thereby generating power. In light of these amendments, Applicants believe the rejection may be withdrawn.

As such, Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance and request allowance of the same.

Should the examiner believe an additional telephone call would expedite the prosecution of the application, he is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below. It is not believed that any fee is due at this time. If that belief is incorrect, please debit deposit account number 01-1375. Also, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment to deposit account number 01-1375.

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